

University Community Presbyterian Church

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Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship. If you are a visitor, please record your information on the yellow visitor card. If anyone has a prayer request, please fill out the reverse side of the yellow visitor card with your prayer needs. Cards can be placed in the offering plate.

Children are a blessed part of our church family and are invited to worship with us. We have a staffed nursery during worship service for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age. We also have a cry room available in the back of the sanctuary.

Difficulty hearing? The sound operators in the back left corner of the sanctuary can provide you with headphones for our assisted hearing system.

CDs of our services If you would like a copy, please contact the church office.

Pastor:	Rev. Neill McKay
Ministers:	The Entire Congregation
Clerk of Session:	Melissa Bierer & Lanien Livingston
Elders:	Brian Dixon Randy Frank Doreen McNeill, David Rohwer Roger Smith, Jane Steeves Norma Wivoda
Deacon President:	Susan Carothers
Deacons:	Judy Fowler-Morris Lynne Krizek, Donita Lawhead, Darlene Peterson, Theresa Reed, Paula Long
Mission Co-Workers	Rev. Ryan and Alethia White Rev. Jed Koball and his wife Jenney
Choir Director	Lucile Hackett
Pianist:	Kathy Dohner
Organist:	Kathy Dohner
Sound Manager:	David Rohwer

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Next Week's Service ~December 16th, Third Sunday of Advent~

Leader: Flora Wiltse Prayer Person: Judy Fowler-Morris
Sound Board: Sarah Lanstra Nursery: Rhonda McKay

JOYS AND CONCERNS from December 2nd, 2018

Lord, in your mercy, we pray for:

People without homes due to earthquake and other disasters
Prayers for friends and family of Jimmy Butler who died in an accident
Lanien - brother health concerns
Sister Ila
Neill McKay & family

Thanks be to God for:

David – June 25th, 2007 the day Christ came into my life
Thankful that the families are safe after Earthquake
All family being together on Thanksgiving Jim's birthday
Joy of meeting Three wonderful families and the help that UCPC gave to them
Joy of others helping loving families Marijo who was in Anchorage, joy for her being safe
No casualties from Earthquake
Keegan's birthday
Joy of having Kurt Carns with us
Loved ones present in prayer
Love from congregation felt by the McKay's Pat went on run & first Friday show
Susie Swaim's open house
Brother who got away from Meth and got to visit sister

UCPC EVENTS, WEEKLY CALENDAR, and ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Elder of the Month : David Rohwer

Women's Study Group will meet next on December 17th, but not on December 31st. We are reading Philip Yancey's *What's So Amazing About Grace* and will be discussing chapter 13. We now meet at noon for lunch at Raven Landing in the commons of building #2. Soup and bread can be purchased for \$5 there, or you can brown bag it.

Sunday Breakfast. Join us for Sunday Breakfast before worship at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Children and Youth Sunday School @ 9:30 AM

Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7PM in the music room

Pledge Cards may be placed in the offertory plate. Extra cards are available on the table by the Sanctuary door.

Sunday Adult Study @ 9:30 AM,

Sunday Worship Service begins at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary. Join us after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Narthex.

Men's Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 AM in the Narthex.

Bulletin Deadline is on Wednesdays by 12:00 PM.

Prayer Group meets Thursdays at 12:00 PM in the Conference Room.

WEEKLY COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Foursquare Russian Church meets on Sundays at 2:00 PM in the Sanctuary.
- 12-Step meets on Mondays at 5:30 PM in the Music Room.
- Boy Scout Troop 1 meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM in the CE Basement.
- AA meets on Tuesdays at 8:00 PM in the Lounge.
- Girl Scout Troop 75 meets on Wednesdays at 5:30 PM in the Lounge.
- Al Anon meets on Thursdays at 5:30 PM in the High School Classroom.
- Fairbanks Sweet Adelines Barbershop Chorus meets 6.30pm Thursdays.
- Foursquare Russian Church meets on Fridays at 7:00 PM in the Music Room.
- NA meets on Fridays at 8:00 PM in the Lounge.

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3510 College Road
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December 9th, 2018



"We invite all to faith in Jesus Christ and growth in discipleship through Word, Prayer, and Service."

December 9th, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent

* Please stand if you are able

Prelude

Words of Welcome & Announcements

~PREPARING FOR THE WORD~

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle The McKay Family
***Call to Worship** from "Lord Jesus Christ, be present now"

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; our hearts in our true devotion.

People: Let your Spirit send light divine, and let your truth with in us shine

Leader: Unseal our lips to sing your praise in endless hymns through all our days

People: Increase our faith and light our minds; and set us free from doubt that binds

Leader: Let us Pray

***Opening Prayer** *based on "God, the Father of Your People"*

***Hymn of Praise** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* Hymnal 8

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Lord, giver of Life, we sometimes do not feel the need to worship or pray because giving ourselves over is not natural, confessing our sin is harder than just blaming something or someone else. But Lord we acknowledge our sin because we truly want to worship and be restored into the perfect union to which you created us to be with you and each other... hear now my on prayer of confession

***(Silent Prayer of Repentance)**

***Words of Assurance**

***Gloria Patri**

Gloria, in Excelsis Deo. Hymnal 23

***The Forgiven and Redeemed Share the Lord's Peace**

(Please share the peace of Christ by welcoming those around you.)

Serving Today

Leader: Nathan McKay

Prayer Person: Patti Gallagher

Sound Board: Sarah Lanstra

Nursery: Celia Rohwer

~HEARING THE WORD~

Time with Young Disciples

Anthem *Mary, Mary* Choir

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Readings Exodus 31:16–18 OT PG 78
Ezekiel 8:2-4 OT PG 775
Zechariah 10:4-5 OT PG 885

New Testament Reading *Luke 2:36-40* NT PG 59

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *The Coming Gifts of God the Father* Rev. Neill McKay

Hymn of Response *Of The Father's Love Begotten* Hymnal 309

Affirmation of Faith: The Brief Statement of Faith 11.3

We trust in God whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people to live as one community

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

***Offering Response** *"Doxology"* Hymnal Pg. 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Joys and Concerns**

***Listen to Your Children Praying**

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION~

Communion:

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Blessed are you, O Lord our God.

Spoken Response "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" Hymnal Pg. 581

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest and above.**

The Words of Institution

According to Christ's Commandment: (Pastor and People)

**We remember His death,
We proclaim His resurrection,
And we wait His coming glory.**

The Distribution of Bread and Wine

Closing Prayer & Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Unison) Hymnal Pg. 16

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

***Closing Hymn** *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?* Hymnal 11

***Taking the Light into the World**

We carry the light out of the sanctuary as a sign that we are carrying God's light into the world.

***Charge and Benediction**

***Response** God Be With You Till We Meet Again
God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide uphold you
With His sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Patti Gallagher will be in front of the sanctuary to pray with anyone who wishes.